

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is filed prior to initial review of the Application.

Applicants respectfully request examination of all pending claims. Such examination at Examiner's earliest convenience is respectfully solicited.



VERSION SHOWING MARKED CHANGES TO THE APPLICATION

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph starting on page 1, line 1 and insert the following paragraph in lieu thereof:

This is a continuation patent application of Serial Number 09/576,647, filed on May 22, 2000, entitled "PUSH-PULL CONFIGURATIONS FOR SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING A PN-JUNCTION WITH A PHOTSENSITIVE REGION," which is a continuation-in-part patent application of Serial Number 09/532,581, filed on March 22, 2000, entitled "SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING A PN-JUNCTION WITH A PHOTSENSITIVE REGION."

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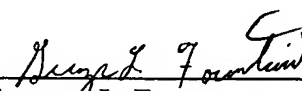
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In view of the foregoing, Applicants contend that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request the Examiner to reexamine these claims. Allowance of these claims at Examiner's earliest convenience is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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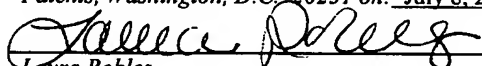


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